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DEFENSE ALSO FOR CSAF AND HQ ATC FOR MAJOR GENERAL
ROSENCRANS, RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS

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TAGS: UK MPOL MILI NATO
SUBJECT: RAF GREENHAM COMMON

1. IN PARLIAMENTARY UNDER SECRETARY FOR THE RAF
WELLBELOVED'S STATEMENT TO THE HOUSE, ON 25 MAY,
CONCERNING RAF GREENHAM COMMON, WELLBELOVED REFERRED
TO A LETTER MCNAIR-WILSON HAD WRITTEN TO THE TIMES
(24 MAY), NOTING THAT THE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS IN THE
LETTER WERE "FACTUALLY CORRECT" BUT THAT MCNAIR-WILSON
HAD DRAWN AN INCORRECT INFERENCE FROM IT. WELLBELOVED
SAID "WHETHER THE HON. MEMBER BELIEVES IT OR NOT,
NO REQUEST TO REACTIVATE GREENHAM COMMON WAS RECEIVED
FROM THE USG UNTIL LATE JANUARY 1978. THE HON.
MEMBER WAS THEN INFORMED AS REQUESTED. ONE POINT OF
COMPLETE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE HON. MEMBER AND MYSELF
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CONCERNS THE TRIBUTE IN HIS LETTER TO GENERAL ROSENCRANS
BOTH THE US AND UK HAVE GOOD REASON TO BE GRATEFUL
FOR THE SKILL, SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, SENSE OF
RESPONSIBILITY AND DIPLOMACY WITH WHICH HE CARRIED
OUT HIS WORK DURING HIS FOUR YEARS HERE--QUALITIES NOW
BEING DEPLOYED BY HIS SUCCESSOR GENERAL NORRIS."

2. IN DISCUSSION FOLLOWING DEBATE, WELLBELOVED AND MCNAIR-WILSON EMPHASIZED TO POL-MIL ATTACHE THAT THEY REGRETTED SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THESE SENTIMENTS HAD NOT COME EARLIER. WELLBELOVED SAID HE IS DELIGHTED TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SAY WHAT HE DID TO THE HOUSE.

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